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## Box Amendment

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 Application. No.: 10/716,473  
 Filing Date: November 20, 2003  
 Atty. Docket No. US-104  
 Title: Method for Producing L-Amino Acid Using Methylotroph

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

- Amendment and Request for Reconsideration: 10 pages.
- Petition for Extension of time from the Office Action, mailed January 12, 2006, one month to May 12, 2006: 1 page
- Information Disclosure Statement:        pages.
- PTO-1449:        pages.
- cited references.
- PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form (fee calculated as shown below):        pages.
- Other: Substitute Specification - Clean Copy (41 pp), Substitute Specification - Marked-Up Copy (41 pp), Receipt of Deposit for FERM BP-4859 and English translation thereof (2 pp), Receipt of Deposit for FERM BP-8040 and English translation thereof (2 pp), and Receipt of Deposit for FERM BP-8042 and English translation thereof (2 pp).

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